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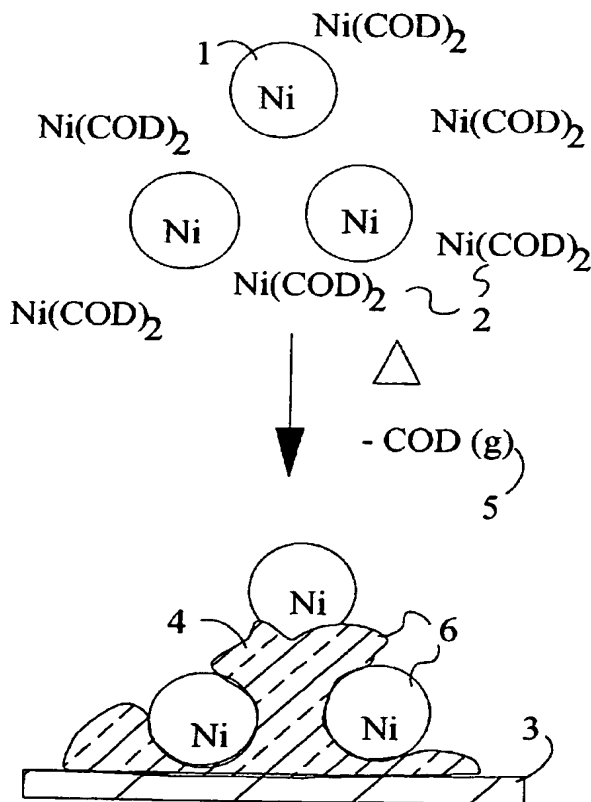
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(57) Abstract: A process for forming an electrical conductor on a substrate is provided, consisting essentially of providing an ink comprised of a metallic chelate, printing directly thereon the ink, and decomposing the ink wherein the metal-chelate is converted to a solid metal conductor on the substrate.

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